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Cc: Stalcup, Dana[Stalcup.Dana@epa.gov]
From: Fitz-James, Schatzi
Sent: Wed 9/9/2015 7:52:57 PM
Subject: RE: AP Request -- needs action ..

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From: Deitz, Randy
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 3:43 PM
To: Fitz-James, Schatzi
Subject: FW: AP Request -- needs action ..

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From: Stalcup, Dana
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 2:12 PM
To: Deitz, Randy; Grantham, Nancy
Cc: Reynolds, Thomas; Gray, David; Brooks, Becky; Allen, Laura
Subject: RE: AP Request -- needs action ..

Quick update on the notification status; I have copied Schatzi Fitz-James in case you have any questions while I am away from my computer for the next couple of hours:

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Nonresponsive

In summary, I think the only site of concern is **Deliberative Process/Ex. 5** and we will send a question right now.

- Dana

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From: Deitz, Randy

Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 1:55 PM

To: Grantham, Nancy; Stalcup, Dana

Cc: Reynolds, Thomas; Gray, David; Brooks, Becky; Allen, Laura

Subject: RE: AP Request -- needs action ..

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From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 1:29 PM
To: Deitz, Randy
Cc: Reynolds, Thomas; Gray, David; Brooks, Becky; Allen, Laura
Subject: RE: AP Request -- needs action ..

Thank you .. we need to connect as soon as is feasible on this ..thanks ng

From: Deitz, Randy
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 1:26 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy
Cc: Reynolds, Thomas; Gray, David; Brooks, Becky
Subject: RE: AP Request -- needs action ..

I found out that this list has not been publicly released at this point. I need to check with Mathy on whether he is comfortable releasing it.

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From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 1:24 PM
To: Deitz, Randy
Cc: Reynolds, Thomas; Gray, David; Brooks, Becky
Subject: AP Request -- needs action ..

Randy – we need to resolve this issue so we can release this info – When mathy was on the ground on Friday and in some of his notes on the testimony over the weekend, he indicated we would want to release these site names.

Can you please call us here in Durango at your earliest convenience – the number is 970-828-3408.

Thanks

Nancy Grantham

David gray

From: Stalcup, Dana
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 12:13 PM
To: StClair, Christie
Cc: Bassler, Rachel; Allen, Laura; Grantham, Nancy; EOC Public Information; Gray, David; Woolford, James; Deitz, Randy; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Dreyfus, Melissa G.; Keller, Melanie; Wells, Suzanne; Mahmud, Shahid; Cohen, Nancy
Subject: RE: EPA Releases Additional Data, Graphs and Documents Stemming From Gold King Mine Incident

Sounds good,

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From: StClair, Christie

Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 12:09 PM

To: Stalcup, Dana

Cc: Bassler, Rachel; Allen, Laura; Grantham, Nancy; EOC Public Information; Gray, David; Woolford, James; Deitz, Randy; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Dreyfus, Melissa G.; Keller, Melanie; Wells, Suzanne; Mahmud, Shahid; Cohen, Nancy

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We could release it with a note to the reporter for his background knowledge:

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On Sep 9, 2015, at 12:00 PM, "Stalcup, Dana" <Stalcup.Dana@epa.gov> wrote:

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From: Bassler, Rachel

Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 11:23 AM

To: StClair, Christie; Stalcup, Dana

Cc: Allen, Laura; Grantham, Nancy; EOC Public Information; Gray, David; Woolford, James; Deitz, Randy; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Dreyfus, Melissa G.; Keller, Melanie; Wells, Suzanne; Mahmud, Shahid; Cohen, Nancy

Subject: RE: EPA Releases Additional Data, Graphs and Documents Stemming From Gold King Mine Incident

Randy is also at the hearing.

From: StClair, Christie

Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 10:11 AM

To: Stalcup, Dana

Cc: Allen, Laura; Grantham, Nancy; EOC Public Information; Gray, David; Woolford,

James; Deitz, Randy; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Dreyfus, Melissa G.; Keller, Melanie; Wells, Suzanne; Mahmud, Shahid; Bassler, Rachel; Cohen, Nancy
Subject: Re: EPA Releases Additional Data, Graphs and Documents Stemming From Gold King Mine Incident

Thanks Dana. Laura and I are at the same hearing.

Randy, this list would seem to address most of the reporter's questions. We'd held back from releasing it initially since it wasn't considered final. At this point has it been vetted enough to release?

Christie

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On Sep 9, 2015, at 11:01 AM, "Stalcup, Dana" <Stalcup.Dana@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi folks.

Attached is the list that was developed a few weeks ago.

PLEASE NOTE the following:

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Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks! - Dana

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From: StClair, Christie

Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 10:48 AM

To: Allen, Laura; Stalcup, Dana

Cc: Grantham, Nancy; EOC Public Information; Gray, David

Subject: Re: EPA Releases Additional Data, Graphs and Documents Stemming From Gold King Mine Incident

Plus Dana Stalcup

Dana, can you please send us this this list ASAP?

Thanks,

Christie

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On Sep 9, 2015, at 10:45 AM, "Allen, Laura" <Allen.Laura@epa.gov> wrote:

Sounds good. Does anyone have this list in the regions?

On Sep 9, 2015, at 10:40 AM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks .. mathy had asked about releasing it .. so would be good to do – and then indicate in our next press release ..thanks ng

From: Allen, Laura
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 10:39 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy
Cc: StClair, Christie; EOC Public Information
Subject: Re: EPA Releases Additional Data, Graphs and Documents Stemming From Gold King Mine Incident

Randy is trying to get us a site list.

On Sep 9, 2015, at 10:37 AM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Status of this? Thanks ng

From: Brown, Matthew [<mailto:MBrown@ap.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 6:53 PM
To: Press; Allen, Laura; Harrison, Melissa; Grantham, Nancy
Cc: Elliott, Dan; Daly, Matthew; Kunzelman, Michael
Subject: RE: EPA Releases Additional Data, Graphs and Documents Stemming From Gold King Mine Incident

Greetings-

I also left a voice mail msg for Laura Allen.

Regarding the "Interim Guidance" memo from James Woolford (http://www2.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-09/documents/interimguidanceforworkatminesites_9_4_15.pdf):

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-Please provide a list of sites impacted by Aug. 14 cease work memo.

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I've CC'd some colleagues at The AP who also are covering this issue.

Thanks for any and all help.

Matt Brown

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From: U.S. EPA Media Relations [<mailto:press@epa.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 4:19 PM
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Sept. 8, 2015

EPA Releases Additional Data, Graphs and Documents Stemming From Gold King Mine Incident

(Washington, DC) -- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency today (Sept. 8, 2015) released new sampling data, data trend graphs, and additional public records relating to the Gold King Mine incident.

What new data is being released?

New data posted today is available at <http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/gold-king-mine-data-september-8-2015>. The data cover:

?□□□□□□□□ EPA sediment samples collected on 9/1 from locations along the Animas and San Juan Rivers.

?□□□□□□□□ EPA surface water samples collected on 9/2 from locations in the Animas and San Juan Rivers.

?□□□□□□□□ EPA surface water samples collected on 8/31 from locations in the Animas and San Juan Rivers.

?□□□□□□□□ EPA surface water samples collected on 8/27, 8/29, 9/1, 9/3 from locations in the Animas and San Juan Rivers.

?□□□□□□□□ EPA sediment samples collected on 8/31 and 9/1 from locations along the Animas Rivers.

?EPA sediment samples collected on 8/27 and 8/28 from locations along the Animas Rivers.

What do the trending graphs show?

Today EPA is posting graphs to show the trending concentrations of all 24 metals in surface water over time. These trend graphs were created from pre-event and post-event data posted to this website between August 10, 2015 and August 30, 2015. EPA is posting 576 graphs to show the trending concentrations of metals in surface water at the 24 sampling locations where five or more samples have been collected.

The trend graphs were created from pre-event and post-event data that show the conditions of the Animas and San Juan watersheds. Each sample was analyzed for 24 metals, including arsenic, cadmium, lead and mercury. The trend graphs show the concentrations of dissolved metals rather than total metals, based on the pre-event and post-event data. Concentrations are expressed in the dissolved, rather than the total, form of the metal because the dissolved is a better predictor of harm to human health and the environment.

The metals were compared to Recreational Screening Level (RSLs). RSLs, established by EPA, are health-based concentrations for each metal based on exposure during recreational use. (Note that the RSLs for some metals like calcium, potassium, sodium and magnesium are not listed on the trend charts. These are common metals derived from relatively high soluble minerals such as calcite (calcium carbonate) and sodium/potassium salts and therefore no recreational screening levels were calculated.)

For each metal, the trend graphs illustrate that concentrations are significantly lower than RSLs. The graphs also show that concentrations for all 24 metals in surface water are consistent with pre-event conditions.

The graphs are available on the surface water sampling map at <http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/data-gold-king-mine-response>.

What new documents are being released?

EPA is releasing the agency's plan for notifying stakeholders with Gold King Mine updates. EPA is also releasing a memo directing senior agency leadership to review plans for downstream notifications after potential future releases, and an interim guidance memo regarding the agency's work at mine sites across the country.

?Sept. 4 memo: "Interim Guidance for Continuation of Work and Development of List of Superfund Mining and Mineral Processing Sites"

?Sept. 4 memo: "Review of Regional and Area Contingency Plans for Downstream Notifications"

?Sept. 7 planning document: "Gold King Mine Stakeholders Alert and Notification Plan"

These documents are now available at www.epa.gov/goldkingmine.

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